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PROPAGATION: Jun 11, 12, High Normal; Jun 13, Low Normal; Jun 14, High Normal; Jun 15, 16, Low Normal; Jun 17, Below Normal/Disturbed; Jun 18-20, Low Normal; Jun 21-25, High Normal; Jun 26, Low Normal. TNX N4XX.

Flux	Flux	Flux	Date	Flux	Alpha	K
(81)	(82)	(83)		(84)	(84)	(84)
- 60			- 7/11/6			
195	152	134	5/31	118	24	3
189	145	128	6/1	113	7	4
179	140	128	6/2	108	10	2
174	131	133	6/3	108	10	2
177	130	135	6/4	107	25	3
172	132	145	6/5	104	17	3
167	137	. 167	6/6	102	17	3

MT ATHOS: DJ5CQ/SV/A appeared May 31, totally unnanounced, and operated sporadically until Jun 4. DL4NAC/SV/A appeared once on SSB, otherwise the operation was entirely CW. One North American station reports working DJ5CQ/SV/A on 40 Meters. Although the station was off for long periods of time, that is typical for Mt. Athos operations. You will recall that Eric Sjolund, SMØAGD, was in Greece last month but was denied permission for a Mt. Athos operation. QSLs to DJ5CQ.

NIGER: Here's what we know about 5U7LD: he is Luigi, IN3RZY, in Niger on a U.N. assignment. He is operating only nets and lists, and will be on sporadically for about two more weeks. He does not have a remote VFO, but there's talk that KC7UU/5N is trying to arrange to get a VFO to him. In the past six months, Carl and Martha Henson (WB4ZNH and WN4FVU), Tom Gregory, TU2NW, and KC7UU have all approached the authorities in Niger but have been denied operating permission by the military people. The best speculation is that he is traveling in several Sahara countries with a commercial radio license and his amateur radio operations won't count for DXCC. But QSL to IN3RZY anyhow.

CAMBODIA's XUISS continues active but propagation to North America is dismal, except to the West Coast. List operations are still every Sunday at 1200Z on 14.336 with VS6CT, who reports that logs for May contacts have been sent to QSL manager JA1HQG. The station has also been audible on 20 CW on various days, but almost no contacts have been produced. The 14.336 lists have been kept mercifully short, as the band openings are usually not more than 30 minutes or so.

<u>PITCAIRN</u>: Just after going to press last week we received a phone call that the VR6BR operation by WD9GQV had been cancelled; no explanation.

CENTRAL KIRIBATI T31AT operation by T3ØAT should begin around June 16, as he is scheduled to leave by boat Jun 11 or 12. It is reported that he does not have a KH1 license for Baker/Howland.

CORRECTION: in Issue 240, page two, we said the last valid operation from the United Arab Emirates was 1979; actually, A6XJC was on as recently as last year. He is currently the only A6 station which counts for DXCC.

 $\frac{S}{a}$   $\frac{SUDAN}{pirate},$  "ZD8CW/STØ" is almost certainly pirate, as ZD8CW is not a valid callsign. As for TL8GE/STØ, since there is no formal licensing structure in the S Sudan, his operation likely will count for DXCC. He reportedly will be on another week or so.

CHINA: BY1QH turns out to be a valid call, in Beijing. Our sources say the next BY station will be located in Foochow, which is on the southeast coast midway between Hong Kong and Shanghai (BY4AA). We recall last Fall getting excited about BY4AA, noting that propagation from there should be similar to propagation from Japan. A station in Foochow should come through just as often as, say, VS6. The past two years have demonstrated that the problem with working the Chinese stations is not propagation but, rather, with operator ability and times of operations. Finally, Western Washington DX Club's Totem Tabloid newsletter says that "Late-night China wahchers were pleased to hear BY4AA booming through on 14.022 KHz on May 31st. W2KN, Buddy, was at the key." Rumors that one of the WWDXC members worked them with an HW-8 are probably all too true!

 $\frac{\mathsf{SPRATLY}}{\mathsf{latest}} \ \mathsf{1S2CK} \ \mathsf{"still} \ \mathsf{go,"} \ \mathsf{according} \ \mathsf{to} \ \mathsf{the} \\ \mathsf{latest} \ \mathsf{from} \ \mathsf{DUlCK, who} \ \mathsf{says} \ \mathsf{he's} \ \mathsf{keeping} \\ \mathsf{the} \ \mathsf{dates} \ \mathsf{a} \ \mathsf{secret.} \ \mathsf{Something} \ \mathsf{about} \ \mathsf{that} \\ \mathsf{reducing} \ \mathsf{the} \ \mathsf{chances} \ \mathsf{of} \ \mathsf{being} \ \mathsf{shot} \ \mathsf{at.} \\ \mathsf{See} \ \mathsf{map} \ \mathsf{(courtest} \ \underline{\mathsf{DXPress}}) \ \mathsf{on} \ \mathsf{page} \ \mathsf{2.}$ 

PLENTY OF TIME to return your Survey sheet (deadline June 30), and we repeat, please DO NOT send them back in our small business reply envelopes. The sheets won't go through the scanning machine if they're folded more than twice. Thanks.

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#### NOTES

TDXB Sticker Bank activity picking up again; we need transparent stickers at 270-310. The bank is pretty well stocked at all levels below 270.

KX60I said to begin operating from East Carolines any day now; VK9NS and VK9NL have tickets for both E and W Carolines, are lining up other spots in the area for a trip later this year.

HS4AMS (VE3FXT) being reported on the air again, the first activity from Thailand in a couple of years.

K60ZL (ZK1XL) has left aboard a ship for Pakistan and then ??? Send ZKIXL QSL requests to the K60ZL Callbook address, where someone else is answering them.

ZD9BV shows on 3782 almost nightly at 0730 UTC, often with manager W4FRU. Andy is audible Stateside maybe 50% of the time. KAØCYR/SV9 Rhodes shows on 7005 around 0300Z and is willing to try 80 Meters, although not much success yet.

WE Noted last issue that 3A2E and 3A2F did not show in the CW WPX Contest...but they were on 20 SSB (a list operation) that weekend.

QSLs being received: ZL8, TI9, YVØ, XUISS through March '84. Help needed: VP80T (11/76) and TA1ZB (8/76) by WB9HAD.

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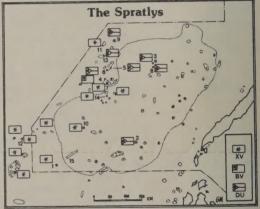
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KANSAS CITY DX CLUB estimates that 1,000 people visited their hospitality suites at the Dayton Hamvention this year. The Club has two video tapes available: "Contest Night Live" (a spoof), and "Tonganoxie Island" (another spoof) for a donation of ten dollars plus borrower pays return postage. These tapes were big hits at Dayton.

PLASTIC ANTENNAS ARE SAFER DEPARTMENT: this item clipped from the June issue of Consumer Reports magazine. Personally, the only injury we ever got from an antenna was a hangnail from trying to rip that @#\$%¢ Hazard! sticker off of a boom section.

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	Lankiam Cay			-		Panata	DU	
6	Loaita		Dao	Loai Ta		Kota	DU	
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Spratly: 1S9WNV 1965, 1S1A 1973 Barque Canada Reef: 1S1DX 1979 Panata Cay: 1S1CK 1983

Chart courtest Holland's DXPress

## BANDPASS: Call/Frequency/UTC (plus West, Mountain, Central, East Coast)/Date

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## CALENDAR

NIGER 5U7LD continues: Issue 242 ETHOPIA ET3PS disappeared; need reports TRISTAN ZD9BV daily, 0730Z, 3782 TL8GE/STØ on nets; Issue 242 S SUDAN USSR New callsign structure Issue 233

SIERRA LEONE 9L1 rumored by 3X4EX Soon

SPRATLY 1S2CK still on the way; Issue 235, 242 7Q7LW in England until September MALAWI CANTON ISLAND T31AT by T3ØAT starts about Jun 15/16 BVØ operation by JA group any day now

TAIWAN

PITCAIRN VR6BR by WD9GQV cancelled

WH60/KH4 rumored starting Jun 16 or 17

MIDWAY CONTEST All Asia Phone Jun 16/17 CONTEST ARRL Field Day Jun 23/24 DEADLINE TDXB Survey sheets June 30

TAHITI

WB6GFJ returns to FOØFB June 25 and will be active until Aug 5, 10-80 Meters plus Oscar 10. A California group will join him Jul 9 for the Tahitian Tiurai celebration (details next issue).

PACIFIC

WB6GFJ will follow his FOØFB opertion with stops at ZK1, ZL, VK4, and 3D2. More information later.

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